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SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to establish Surveillance System in the country to monitor the stroke cases or other neurological disorders at national and regional level;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of the available Surveillance System in the country to monitor such diseases?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a)to(d): At present surveillance of communicable diseases is undertaken through the pilot project of National Surveillance Programme for Communicable Diseases, which is in operation since 1997-98.Surveillance of Polio, Tuberculosis, AIDS and Malaria is also carried out under various national Health Programmes. An Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme is envisaged to undertake surveillance of communicable as well as non-communicable diseases, which includes neurological disorders like meaningo-encephalities, risk factors of stroke etc.